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**EXALTED RULER**

*Wes Brown*

Members,

2020 is a year like none other. There have been disappointments, challenges, and unprecedented changes. It would be so easy to focus on the negative and be fearful of what is around the corner. Yet, there are always silver linings to every storm. As one door closes another one opens. As heartbreaking as it was to make the decision to close the door on this year's Rodeo and Parade, the "Christmas in the Country" event, a magical drive-through holiday light experience planned for this holiday season at the Elks Unocal Event Center, is the proverbial door opening. In true Team Santa Maria spirit, Elks Rec is working together with the Santa Maria Recreation and Parks Department to bring this new holiday extravaganza to life. In the tradition of "Boots in the Stands" at the Rodeo, "Stuff the Stocking" will be introduced to benefit the Golden Circle of Champions program that is devoted to raising awareness of Pediatric cancer and provide financial support to local families enduring the effects of childhood cancer. Stay tuned; more details to come.



"Let your hopes, not your hurts, shape your future." - Robert H. Schuller

"Stay positive and happy. Work hard and don't give up hope. Be open to criticism and keep learning. Surround yourself with happy, warm and genuine people." - Tena Desae

"They say a person needs just three things to be truly happy in this world: someone to love, something to do, and something to hope for." - Tom Bodett

Wes Brown  
Exalted Ruler

**WEEKLY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS PHONE LINE**

When calling our phone line, as the recording starts, dial 2 and you will get our weekly schedule of events including meals, days & hours of operation. You can also add us on Facebook and follow us on Instagram.

**NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS**

All new Membership applications must be submitted to the office by September 21, 2020 for the October 22nd Initiation class. Applications can be obtained at the Front Office, elks.org, or from our website: santamariaelks.org.

**LODGE INFORMATION AND CHANGES**

We are updating our schedule in accordance with the new State/SB County guidelines. We are currently only open three days a week from 4:00 pm until close on days that coincide with our dining options.

Mon - Grab & Go dinners and Member (+2 guests). Patio dining

Tue - Pub Grub on the patio for Members. (+2 guests.)

Wed - CLOSED

Thu - Lodge Meeting 7:30 PM

Fri - Grab and Go dinners and Member (+2 guests.) Patio dining.

Sat - CLOSED

Sun - CLOSED

Grab & Go meals are open to the public. (Check Facebook for menus or call Lodge.)

Patio dining is reserved for Members and guests only. (bring a mask!)

Thank You for your understanding.

**SANTA MARIA LODGE #1538 DONATES TO LOCAL CHARITIES**

The Santa Maria Elks Lodge #1538 used the ENF Spotlight Grant to donate \$2,000 to the Good Samaritan Shelter in Santa Maria which helps the homeless and those needing drug and alcohol treatment. Also they opened an emergency shelter for vulnerable adults providing three meals a day and placed 18 Veteran households into temporary housing with local hotels.

During the Grab and Go dinners, \$500 was raised which was presented to CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children) and for the "Shelter House" which help victims of Illegal Trafficking of Adults and Children.

Pictured is Exalted Ruler Wes Brown and some of the officers presenting the checks to representatives of the two organizations.



*All American Lodge*

# LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING IN *September 2020*

For current event information: Please check **805-922-1538** recorded message, Lodge webpage: [www.SantaMariaElks.org](http://www.SantaMariaElks.org), Facebook: SantaMariaElksLodge, or Instagram: SantaMariaElksLodge  
**NO LODGE MEETINGS THIS MONTH**

- 7** House Committee.....7:00 pm
- 16** Orientation Dinner.....6:30 pm
- 17** Initiation.....7:30 pm
- 19** Adopt-A-Highway .....8:00 am

**P.S. Check Lodge website or Facebook page for Grab & Go Menus.**

**EVERY THURSDAY:**

Food Bank .....9:00 am

**MONDAY & FRIDAY:**

Grab & Go .....5:30 pm

**TUESDAYS:**

Pub Grub ..... 4:00 pm

**BOTH EVENTS FOR MEMBERS & SPOUSES ONLY. OVER 21. CHECK LODGE WEBSITE FOR LAST MINUTE CHANGES!**

**GREETERS:**

- Sept. 4 - 10 Efrain Bautista
- Sept. 11 - 17 Vern Guerrero
- Sept. 18 - 24 Luis Arellano
- Sept. 25 - Oct. 1 Bob Lopez

**OFFICERS DUTY ROSTER:**

- Sept. 4 - Inner Guard
- Sept. 11 - Leading Knight
- Sept. 18 - Loyal Knight
- Sept. 25 - Lecturing Knight

**THE LODGE IS NOW OPEN FOR BUSINESS.**

Masks required. Grab & Go and Pub Grub can be eaten on the patio. The Bar is open on the patio 4 pm to close Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays only. *(Closing means last bar patron leaves)*

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## VETERANS

Good Day Elks!

Stay positive and keep striving through this difficult time. Events and activities are still very limited. Take a look at these historical events from the month of September.

- September 3, 1783- The Treaty of Paris was signed by John Adams, Ben Franklin and John Jay. This was the formal end to the Revolutionary War.
- September 10, 1919- Following the German defeat in WWI, the Allies signed the Treaty of Saint-Germain.
- September 9, 1943- The invasion of Salerno, Italy began. Allied forces under the command of General Mark Clark made an amphibious assault along the western coast near Naples.
- September 7, 1994- U.S. Army closes headquarters in Berlin. This ended the American military presence after nearly one-half century.
- September 11, 2001- The worst terrorist attack in U.S. history occurred as four passenger jets were hijacked then crashed, killing nearly 3,000 people. Four separate teams of Mideast terrorists boarded the morning flights posing as passengers, then forcibly commandeered the aircraft. American Airlines Flight 11 carrying 92 people and United Airlines Flight 175 carrying 65 people, had departed Boston for Los Angeles. Both were diverted by the hijackers to New

York City where they were piloted into the twin towers of the World Trade Center. The impact and subsequent fire caused both 110-story towers to collapse, killing 2,752. American Airlines Flight 77, which had departed Dulles (Virginia) for Los Angeles, with 64 people was diverted to Washington, D.C., then piloted into the Pentagon building, killing everyone on board and 125 military personnel inside the building. United Airlines Flight 93, which had departed Newark for San Francisco with 44 people was also diverted toward Washington but crashed into a field in Pennsylvania after passengers attempted to overpower the terrorists.

- September 11- This day has been designated as Patriot Day in celebration of all the heroism displayed on this day in 2001.

These dates, though not all-inclusive, show that our Veterans and community members have experienced many more events, good and bad, during this month in history. It is important to reflect on events of our past to help us learn to navigate our lives in present times, educate ourselves through the mistakes of the past, and build on the successful decisions that shaped our lives.

I wish you all health and happiness!  
Timothy Reynolds  
Veterans Committee Chairman



**DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND EXALTED RULER**

*Ed Martin*

West Central Coast District 2020-2021 Ed Martin was born January 1, 1948 in Summerville, West Virginia. Ed graduated from La Quinta High School in 1966. Shortly after graduation, Ed joined the United States Army and was soon sent to Vietnam (1967-68). While deployed in Vietnam, Ed received the Army Commendation Metal, given to those for sustained acts of heroism and meritorious service. After serving his Country, Ed received his Associate in Arts Degree from Orange Coast Junior College (1971) and his Bachelor of Science degree from Fullerton State University in 1973. In 1978 Ed became a California State Licensed Contractor. Ed married his Wife Barbara in Santa Barbara in 1996. Ed has coached each of his three

children in different sports and was even the Saint Bonaventura High School varsity softball coach for four years. His three children, nine grandchildren, two great grandchildren, and his beloved dog, Roxie, keep him quite busy.

Ed Martin's joined Santa Barbara Elks Lodge #613 in 1994. In 2011 he started through the officer chairs, holding all chair positions as well as Trustee and Lodge Secretary, serving as Exalted Ruler in both 2014-15 and in 2017-18. He received Officer of the Year in 2011. In addition to being a District Chairman since 2015, Ed was the Esquire to District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler Jim Smitly in 2015. In 2018 he represented the West Central Coast District as Association Vice President under State President and now Past Grand Exalted Ruler Robert Duitsman. He has held the position of President of the West Central Coast District Past Exalted Rulers Association and is honored to hold the position this year as District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler of the West Central Coast District.

**CHARITY  
LEADING KNIGHT**

*Peter Oblak*



Members,

We are still closed for most of the activities that most of us would like to start having again. However, due to the state restrictions, it

doesn't look like that is going to change any time in the near future. As we are able, we will let the membership know when the restrictions change and how they will affect our ability to open back up.

We will continue to have Monday and Friday curbside dinners. We will also continue to have Pub-Grub on Tuesdays, as long as the restrictions will allow us to do so. We are all looking forward to the state being able to relax the current restrictions so that there can be some sort of normalcy in our lives.

Stay safe, stay strong, and try to be a little more tolerant of others during this strange time in our nation

Fraternally  
Peter Oblak  
Esteemed Leading Knight

**JUSTICE  
LOYAL KNIGHT**

*Matt Rodriguez*



Members,

Welcome to September. The months have been flying by, but it seems like we are in a stand still. It does not make sense to me either, but it is just the ride this year has taken most of us on. The difficult part of this year is not knowing what tomorrow will bring in terms of getting things back to normal. At times we are going two steps forward then must go back three. We officers are doing the best we can for the good of our Lodge and our Members. It is nice to see the patio full during the three days that we are open, especially Fridays. Please remember, we all need to be safe and take the suggested

precautions, whether we think they help or not. We must think of our own health and the health of others that are around us.

I hear a lot of talk about 2020 and how we should just forget it ever happened, or that this year does not count, because of the drastic measures that we have been through. Yes, 2020 is a year we will always remember; it is also a year of history that we need to learn and grow from, so we can keep moving forward and not let it take us down. This is how we gain strength.

As you all know by now the Rodeo has been cancelled for this year but will continue June of next year. This was an exceedingly difficult decision, but for the safety of everyone it was a must. In the spirit of moving forward, Elks Rec is working with the City of Santa Maria Parks and Rec on a new venue called "Christmas in the Country." This will be a drive-through magical light show. We are hoping to unite the community and get the same support we get during Rodeo; it will be a challenge to get the first year going, but it can be done.

"When you are feeling like the weight of life is too much, don't stop and ask, why me? Stand tall and say, I got this!"

Fraternally,  
Matt Rodriguez  
Esteemed Loyal knight

**GRAND EXALTED  
RULER 2020-2021**

*Paul R. Ryan*



Paul R. Ryan was born in Elgin, IL and graduated from New London Spicer High School in Minnesota then Southwest Minnesota State University, earning a Bachelor of Science degree with a business management emphasis.

Paul joined Willmar, MN Lodge #952 in 2004 serving 11 years on the Board of Directors and was chairman from 2009 to 2018. He served as Esteemed Leading Knight in 2010, 2017, and 2018, and served as Exalted Ruler in 2011. He received the Dedicated Service Award in 2009, Officer of the Year in 2010, and is an Honorary Lifetime Member. He received the Exalted Ruler Appreciation Award for Outstanding Service and Dedication in 2017 and 2018. He earned All State American Ritual honors for Leading Knight, helping his Lodge win the

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Minnesota State Ritual contest. He participated in the National Ritual contest at the Grand Lodge Convention in 2011. He also won the state contest (before it became a national contest) with his rendition of the 11 O'Clock Toast. He has taken part in many Disabled American Veterans deer and turkey hunts.

Paul has also been his Lodge's Penny-A-Day program committee chairman from 2017-2019, Hoop Shoot chairman, PER committee chairman, and served the Minnesota Elks State Association on the Laws and Resolutions committee. State Sponsor Dwayne E. Rumney installed him as District Deputy in 2012 when the current District Deputy could not fulfill the term, finishing that year under Grand Exalted Ruler Thomas Brazier, and was installed into a second term by GER Millard Pickering. In 2015, Paul's sponsor approached him about being nominated to the Board of Grand

Trustees.

Paul has been a Realtor for 25 years, assisting with running his father's company until he purchased it from his father. He joined the local Realtor Association board of directors, serving intermittently on various committees over 17 years, president for a year and then served on his state's Realtor Association for two terms. He participated variously as a Member, Treasurer, and President of his community's version of a chamber of commerce, where he was in charge of the city's community celebration.

Paul and his wife Stacey have been friends since 1987. Paul, Stacey, and her son Jordan became a family in 2003. They have since been blessed with two more children, Cassaundra (16) and Jackson (13).

Paul enjoys many pastimes, including golf, ice fishing, and boating. He loves nearly all film genres. Stacey and Paul share a passion for football and they support the Minnesota Vikings.

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## DRESS CODE IN EFFECT FOR ALL FUNCTIONS

Elks Lodge 1538 is a flagship among Elk Lodges and not just another "Bar or Club." As such we have a Dress Code. Most times it is casual and allows more casual wear: Long shorts, like Bermuda and cargo style shorts are acceptable after 6:00 pm - except Thursday Lodge Night.

- Please no mid-thigh, cutoffs, short-shorts, or torn/frayed wear.
- Please wear all pants at your waist, not below! And no "Plumber Pants!"
- No Sweat Suits or Beach Apparel - No Flip Flops (rubber style shower shoes) - Sandals okay
- **For Ladies:** No Inappropriate tops - No dresses shorter than mid thigh
- **For Men:** No muscle shirts - No T-shirts or caps with vulgar or inappropriate slogans - No gang attire. Gentleman, wear pants at the waist, not below! Hats should be worn properly, not backwards or sideways, and please remove hats when sitting at the table to eat.

*Our Greeters, Staff, and Officers do not wish to embarrass or upset any Member or guest, so please do not put them in that position. We will ask you to leave to change. Members are responsible for informing all guests of the dress code!*

**Members may bring up to 8 guests.**  
**All persons attending Friday Night CYO must be over 21 years of age.**

These rules will be updated as needed and are at the discretion of the Greeters, Staff, or Officer in Charge the day of the event.

## ELKS TRAVELEERS



Eleven rigs with twenty-two members of our Lodge's RV club were "on the road again", this time gathering at Pacific Dunes Ranch RV Park in Oceano on July 23rd - 26th. The mornings were grey with a fairly heavy overcast, but by mid-day the clouds broke, and we were treated to warm afternoons and cool evenings. All in all, a very pleasant trip and a great opportunity to get out and visit with one another.

With a turnout of this size, we were all cognizant of the need to observe the rules regarding social distancing and wearing of face coverings, and we complied because "Elks Care." The RV park's management was also observing the rules, so the club house wasn't available for us to hold our usual potluck meals, conduct our monthly business meeting and to just enjoy each other's company. So, we improvised by setting-up three outdoor canopies to provide sufficient space to accommodate all but one (no shared meals) of these activities. If nothing else, the Traveler's are an adaptable group. Greg and Cindy Rodriguez rejoined the Traveler's, and a big thanks go to them and the Steiglers for bringing the canopies.

Four in our group, Greg, Bobby Randolph, our "resident pro" Jobie and first-timer Randy Bisho went golfing Friday morning. The results were a tied score between Greg and Jobie. We were told Randy did "pretty good." They missed you Joe (Saucedo)!

Once again, Richard and Joyce Chrisman were our champagne hosts - much appreciated and thanks to both

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## DID YOU KNOW?

The good news is we have apparently dodged being attacked by the Murder Hornets, the bad news is that has been the only good news. I remain socially distant here in the History Room so let's plunge into #1538 in 1984 but first a little Elk Trivia.

Why don't Elks walk between the Altar and the station of the ER? Explanation: "Between the Exalted Ruler's Station and the Alter, let no man dare stand, for there our departed Brothers lie. A symbol, yes, but mark it well and here let us ever humbly pause in memory of our Brothers who have departed this life. Be ever watchful, my Brothers, that we should guard this spot with care and caution. And, if a Brother should dare to tread this spot where our Brothers lie, he desecrates those noble dead as though he walked upon their graves." So now you know.

1984 started off by adding pool tournaments to the list of Lodge activities. The Kampers (Travelers) held their March campout at the Chumash Reservation, no casino yet. At the May 3rd Lodge meeting purchasing a new organ was proposed on the floor but the motion was defeated. Also, at a May meeting the Veterans Committee announced they now had a budget and will be able to "sponsor a room" at the V.A. hospital. The Chaplain had been injured during a recent flag burning ceremony, no details. At Grand Lodge Convention in Houston, Texas, #1538 was judged the number One Lodge in the Nation for 1983-1984, first place in the All-American Lodge Contest. #1538 also placed third in the Nation for Community Image and Lodge Attendance. The Lodge donated \$1,000 to the American Legion Post to help build a "man unit for Veterans." At the annual District Picnic, Oceano-Five Cities Officers beat #1538's officers in the first District tug of war, men competed at horseshoes while women played lawn darts. Construction of the Wood Room lead by Butch Simas was completed in October 1984. Our Bingo caller has entered the State Bingo Callers contest. The Santa Maria area's first kidney dialysis machine was coming and by the end of December 1984 #1538 Members had collected over \$9,000 in donations to make this happen. Members were reminded that anyone could send radiograms to active military throughout the World free of charge. For the C.H.E.A. Piggy Bank fundraiser at Santa Anita one of our BBQ teams BBQ'd lunch in the infield for all the Elks attending. Also, in March the publisher/general manager of the Elks National Magazine visited to gather information for the April coverage of #1538 being the number one All American Lodge in the Nation. The annual pancake breakfast fundraiser served 1,702 members and guests. For the first time the names of delinquent members and their sponsors were published in the Elks Horn. The Wood Crew continues to bring in lots of red oak for the BBQ, in April 39 members cut more than 25 cords over the weekend and managed time for a BBQ dinner of their own just to test the quality of the wood. Forming a Bridge Club Monday nights was proposed, and the Golf Club was formed. At State Convention in May 1985 once again #1538 was proud to be named the All-American Lodge in the District and number one in membership gain with a net gain of 205 for 1984-85. The Travelers seemed to be having too much fun, at their May campout some of the festivities included an Easter Bonnet contest and Cow Patty Pitching contest. I'm guessing the women stuck with the bonnets as it seemed the patties didn't hold together in the air too well.

At Grand Lodge Convention our Elks Horn was awarded first place in all of Elkdom for Lodge bulletins in 1984-85. The Touring Elks put on a chicken BBQ for 971 Girl Scouts, parents, and leaders and also donated \$1,000 to ENF and \$1,000 to Major Project as well as \$500 to Lifeline. Members and wives pushed 23 wheelchair

bound patients from Kimberly Convalescent Hospital 8 blocks so they could enjoy the Elks Parade.

At the 1985-86 Grand Lodge Convention #1538 was awarded second place in the nation for All American Lodge contest. By 1985 #1538 was donating over \$40,000 a year to the community, primarily Youth activities. The Veterans Committee continues their good work, in July taking 16 wheelchairs and ambulatory patients from L.A. area V.A. hospitals to enjoy a Dodger game. In August they hoped to increase that to 100 Veterans for another game. Prices spike to \$3.25, \$3.50 and \$3.75 for Monday night dinners in August. October 5th, 1985 was the first time our Veterans committee put on a Santa Maria Elks BBQ at the L.A. V.A. Hospital, 525 were served, this is something #1538 still does to this day. It was BBQ team #13 D, anybody know who the captain would have been? For 1985-86 C.H.E.A. at mid-term declared #1538 "The Most Outstanding Lodge in the Association" and the second most outstanding in all of Elkdom. At this time the Lodge Clowns, the Kadiddlehoppers, were very active, during the first three months after becoming a committee they entertained at 17 events from Santa Barbara to Palo Alto. Although Bingo was always looking for more players, they brought in over \$80,000 in the first half of the Elk year. Sadly, bar prices were on the rise! Beer .80 - .90 cents, well drinks .90 cents, Jack Daniels \$1.35 or a 22 oz New England Ice Tea for \$3.00.

The Elks Recreation Color Guard represented Santa Maria Elks Lodge and all Elkdom in the 1986 Rose Parade. Beginning in January, Country Western dance lessons would again be given in the bar each Sunday afternoon through February 23rd. The Kididdlehoppers were still going strong making a visit to Lancaster to entertain some "older kids" at the Lancaster Convalescent Hospital. Sixty additional seats were installed increasing Lodge room capacity to 350-375, not sure how that flexible 25 work? The average meeting attendance was 280 but on the rise. January 31, 1986 #1538 had 3,463 members with a 2% lapsation, pretty good! The Travelers recapped some of last year's shenanigans, an un-named Member "has a new outlook since he swallowed Jeannies' contact lens, could it be he knew where Mottas' glasses vanished to?", don't forget the cow pies, sounds like a fun group. The Ladies Bar is open on Friday nights. March 1, 1986 the first Super Bowl of Cribbage was held at #1538. Sixty-eight contestants from California, Nevada and Oregon participated. Also, in March the Lodge purchased its first computer system. Once again #1538 ends the year as the District All-American Lodge winner, number one in membership gain and lowest in lapsation. April 20th the first Lodge Marching Band meeting was held (there's a band jacket hanging in the history room). At State Convention in May, #1538 again won the Presidents Achievement Award and was given the distinction of being the Number One Lodge in California-Hawaii Association (C.H.E.A.) Our donation to Major Project at convention was \$35,000. By September 1, 1986 #1538 Membership reached 3,538.

At the annual Family Picnic there was a greased pig chasing contest for the kids, how about adult one too? As in years past, on October 11th members headed to King City and from there split up and drove many more miles to remote ranches to collect 256 animal hides. The hides are then sent to Utah for tanning and returned for distribution to V.A. Hospitals where Veterans make wallets, belts, etc. A donation to the "Indian Reservation" was made by the Lodge, how times have changed. In November it

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## TOURING ELKS DONATES \$1,000 TO SANTA BARBARA FOOD BANK

On Thursday August 6, 2020, President of the Touring Elks Mark McNutt, and Exalted Ruler Wes Brown, presented a \$1,000 check to two representatives from the Santa Barbara County Food Bank. Officers, wives, Members and volunteers had just handed out over 16 tons of Food to the community, helping approximately 350 plus families that day. The donation will go a long way to help the Food Bank meet the needs of the community during the COVID-19 Pandemic. Thank you to all the Members of the Touring Elks!

### Santa Maria Elks Lodge #1538 Distributes 12-16 Tons of food through the Food Bank of Santa Barbara County every week.

As the COVID-19 Pandemic took hold of local communities in mid-March, it became obvious that there was a major need to provide food for the community as businesses shut down and people were out of work. Exalted Ruler Wes Brown was contacted by the Food Bank to see if the Elks Lodge would be willing to provide a place for a distribution Center. Not only did the Exalted Ruler say "Yes" but he offered the Food Bank the Volunteers to staff the Center. The Volunteers were primarily made up of Officers and wives, but soon many Lodge Members and even people from the community come out weekly to help. The Thursday Distribution Center has quickly become one of the largest in the Santa Maria Valley with people lining up in their cars winding tandem through our parking lot and down the street.

Since beginning this endeavor, the Lodge has helped over 5,642 families handing out over 10,884 bags of food. The volunteers begin at 7:00 AM and unload sometimes up to three truckloads of fruits, vegetables, canned goods, drinks, cheese, bacon and more. In fact, since late March, each week based on the invoices of the truckloads we have averaged 12 to 16 tons of food distributed each week. It is a lot of work, but also extremely rewarding, and the Officers and Volunteers could not be happier to provide this much needed service to our community. The Santa Maria Elks #1538 cannot think of a better way to show that "Elks Care and Elks Share" 1538 Strong.




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## In Memoriam

**"TO OUR ABSENT MEMBERS"**

**AN ELK IS NEVER FORGOTTEN, NEVER FORSAKEN.**

<p><b>#5927</b> <b>Jens Birkholm, M.D.</b> Born: December 17, 1938 Initiated: March 16, 1972 Died: April 19, 2020</p>	<p><b>#8309</b> <b>Edward Caustin</b> Born: February 11, 1924 Initiated: December 3, 1981 Died: June 20, 2020</p>
<p><b>#13120</b> <b>Mary Lou Guerrero</b> Born: November 28, 1945 Initiated: July 31, 2003 Died: July 22, 2020</p>	<p><b>LIFE MEMBER</b> <b>#5537</b> <b>Arthur "Art" Johnson</b> <b>101 years old</b> Born: January 2, 1919 Initiated: January 26, 1969 Died: July 30, 2020</p>

## RODEO INFORMATION

### SANTA MARIA ELKS TRADE THE RODEO FOR A HOLIDAY SPECTACULAR IN 2020

Santa Maria, CA - August 7th, 2020 - With heavy hearts, Elks Recreation has announced the cancellation of the 77th Annual Santa Maria Elks Rodeo and Parade. This decision has not been an easy one as it is the first break in our 77 year tradition, yet we are making the choice to respect our County and State leaders' guidance and recommendations to protect the safety and wellbeing of our fans, volunteers, sponsors and contestants. If you are a Participant or a Season Ticket Holder to our Rodeo or one of its related events, please email our office at [elksrodeo@elksrec.com](mailto:elksrodeo@elksrec.com) and we are happy to address any questions or concerns.

We are excited to say the Elks Rodeo Queen Contest will continue strong through their respective virtual programs. We encourage our community to engage with our Queen Candidates for they are embarking on a unique year with a true spirit of determination to raise much needed funds for their respective campaigns.

Elks Recreation has been looking for an innovative way to unite our community with the same family experience and we are excited to announce our first Annual "Christmas in the Country", our magical holiday light experience! Working with the City of Santa Maria's Recreation and Parks Department, this holiday season visitors will embark on a drive through magical holiday light experience at the Elks Event Center with displays presented by local businesses and families. Health and safety protocols permitting, "Christmas in the Country" may also include opportunities to enjoy hot chocolate, candy canes, Christmas trees, and much more to help bring out the holiday spirit in our community while following all County and State guideline protocols.

We are also excited to introduce "Stuff the Stocking" to bring awareness to Pediatric Cancer. All stocking proceeds will go to the Golden Circle of Champions program that is devoted to raising awareness of childhood cancer and provides financial support to families enduring childhood cancer.

For more information and updates please email the Rodeo Office at [elksrodeo@elksrec.com](mailto:elksrodeo@elksrec.com) or visit our website at [elksrec.com](http://elksrec.com) for updated information.



### JULY 2020 NEW MEMBERS

David Bowen  
William Chetwood  
Job Cortez  
Dorian Dillman  
Osbaldo Flores  
Colby Freitas  
Greg Jacobo  
Carl McClain  
Luis Medina  
Angela Munoz  
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### Elks Traveleers continued

of you! They were celebrating all of us being together and unaffected by the coronavirus. While imbibing champagne is usually the prelude to a potluck luncheon, this time it was simply a great way to start the business meeting!

Although the pandemic has impacted what the Members of the Traveleers can do as a group of "happy campers", we were determined to keep connected - though socially distanced - and held a lunch gathering on August 16th in the backyard of Richard and Joyce Chrisman's home in Nipomo to conduct our monthly meeting, collection for ENF, raffle and to discuss future trips when the state's safety restrictions will allow. The only one not social distancing was Daisy - the Chrisman's Golden Retriever,

but everyone was OK with that. The meeting, originally planned for the 15th, was postponed a day due to the unusual thunder and lightning storm that rolled through the area that day. The lunch was very good - plenty of pizza and, thanks to Joyce, served with a green salad, fresh fruit, and finished off with cake and ice cream. Champagne was served to celebrate Richard's son Rick's "39th" birthday.

You might have seen some of the recent advertisements promoting RVs as a way to escape home confinement, but still

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## DID YOU KNOW?...CONTINUED

was announced that Santa Maria #1538 would be hosting the 1988 C.H.E.A. Mid-Term Convention.

The annual Sock Hop continues to be extremely popular. Who remembers these moves, Stroll, Bossa Nova, Bop, Twist, Bunny Hop, Cha Cha and the Mashed Potato, what about the Limbo? At this time, the Lodge had its own Security Patrol with qualification and rules as follows: "For those who can not walk great distances there is a mobile patrol unit. It is a healthy job with benefits and privileges equal to greeters. Volunteers will be issued a security jacket, hat, flashlight holder, police whistle, security badge and guard card. There is no drinking on the job but enjoy the stars or the fog," what could possibly go wrong?

Ok, and so it begins, in the November 1986 Elks Horn the very controversial issue of "Free Association" as it pertains to private clubs is brought up. The page and half article would be offensive to a good portion of our Membership today, so I am not going to dive too deep into the arguments. The BPOE's Government Relations Committee was concerned over the continuing and varied attacks on the "constitutionally guaranteed" right of private organizations to determine their own Membership qualifications and rules. The government relations program's purpose was to protect the fundamental American right of "Free Association." As many of us know things got messy for several years not only for the BPOE but for the Moose, Lions, Rotary and others. The issue for the Elks was settled between 1993 and 1995 so stay tuned.

On a lighter note, the Lodge purchased a new organ for \$7,250. During the Holiday season the Touring Elks provided over 400

Christmas dinners to local convalescent homes. The New Years Eve car raffle was a 1987 Silverado pick up with a camper shell. In the December Elks Horn, Members were encouraged to submit comments or concerns to be published in the Elks Horn. Alarmingly the first submission was regarding thieves at the Lodge, someone had stolen the clock face off the Memorial clock from the Lodge Room!

At the January 29th meeting under "Reports of Committees" a brother reported on the "deceased committee," I wonder if Members were dying to get on that committee, sorry could not resist. The Kadiddlehoppers got into face painting and visited schools to spread some fun. Valentine's Day brought the Big Band sound of the Les Elgart Orchestra, the sophisticated swing featuring Les on the Trumpet, "the only new dancing sound of the past 25 years"?? Les did compose "Bandstand Boogie which for 35 years was the theme song of American Bandstand. Sunday February 22nd a dinner and dance was held to honor a visit from the Grand Exalted Ruler 1986-87. After the clock face incident, it was decided at March 12th meeting that the Lodge Room would be locked except for meetings. March brought a second annual Super Bowl of Cribbage to Santa Maria. As ER Vern Claycamp leaves office on March 31, 1987 he said he has many fond memories, acceptance of the All-American Lodge Trophy in Denver and replacing the T.P in the ladies lounge, it was a fine year and "Every day is great at 1538."

As we end this leg of our journey #1538 has turned 60 but not showing its age, the Lodge is more active than ever and truly the "Greatest Lodge in Elkdom" title is well earned.

## 2020 Elks Rodeo Queen Candidates



### Anna Kuykendall

(St. Joseph High School)

My name is Anna Kuykendall, I have the privilege of representing St. Joseph High School in the Elks Rodeo Queen Campaign. I am a 17 year old junior at St. Joseph High School, maintain a grade-point-average above a 4.0 and am a member of 4-H, Make-A-Wish,

California Scholarship Federation, Eco-Knights, Video Production, and Special Olympics, the Varsity and Competition Cheerleading Teams. I also am a volunteer in the Special Needs Ministry at First Christian Church. I love to spend time with my family and friends and enjoy meeting new people.

St. Joseph High School has been a large part of my life for as long as I can remember. My mother, aunts, uncles, cousins, and siblings have been a part of the Saint Joseph High School family for the past forty-four years. To me, St. Joe's is not just a school, it is a home. I have been blessed with being able to attend this Christ-centered school, and I want others to be able to join the community here at St. Joseph High School. This is why I am so eager to raise money to give financial assistance to families who face financial barriers. I believe that no family should be kept from

the opportunity to experience the high school of their choice.

There are not nearly enough words in the world to express my excitement for this campaign. I am honored to be St. Joseph High School's first-ever Elks Rodeo Queen candidate, and I am endlessly thankful for all of the support.

Email us at [www.sjhsknights.com](http://www.sjhsknights.com)

### Raffle Tickets - September 20th

- Lakers Tickets (\$20/ticket) - 4 tickets in Owner's Box, \$250 to Palms Restaurant
- Win a Free Dress for a Month (\$20/ticket)
- \$2000 Costco Gift Card (\$10/ticket)

### Events:

- Comedy at the Crisp's (\$50/person) - Saturday, August 22nd, 6:00 PM, Dinner Included
- Golf Ball Drop (\$20/ball or 6 balls for \$100) - Tuesday, September 1st, 5:30 PM, Closest to Hole = \$2500, Furthest from Hole = \$500





**Faith DeBrum**

(VTC Enterprises)

My name is Faith DeBrum, and I am pleased to announce I am the 2020 Santa Maria Elks Rodeo Queen Candidate representing VTC Enterprises. I am honored to stand for an organization that shares my values of doing all I can to bring strength, health, and empowerment to ALL members of our community.

I am a 16 year old sophomore at Orcutt Academy High School, where I maintain a minimum 3.75 GPA and am involved with the volleyball team and California Scholarship Foundation Club (CSF). After graduation I plan to attend a four-year university such as Texas Tech, Georgia State University, or University of San Diego to earn my Bachelor of Science in Nursing, followed by a career as a Pediatric Oncology Nurse.

I was diagnosed with cancer almost 6 years ago and have been cancer-free for 5 years. My family and I have raised over \$200,000 to fight childhood cancer and support other families going through the same battle we did. I want to give back to the community and organizations that gave everything to me and my family.

My family has always attended the Santa Maria Elks Rodeo and I grew up dreaming of becoming a Rodeo Queen. Now here I am, beyond excited to be given this opportunity of a lifetime and honored to be representing VTC! I am blessed to have the amazing support of my parents, Ronnie and Laura DeBrum, my older brother Landon and my incredible "friend group".

I am thrilled and hopeful for new fundraising opportunities this year with VTC Enterprises. I look forward to helping them in their work assisting individuals with intellectual and developmental

disabilities to achieve their life goals. I am thankful to everyone supporting me and thank you to VTC for choosing me and believing in me.

Please visit [www.vtcodeoqueen.com](http://www.vtcodeoqueen.com) for more information

**Raffle Tickets - September 20th**

- 2020 C8 Corvette (\$200/ticket)
- \$2000 Amazon Gift Card (\$20/ticket)
- \$2000 Disney Gift Card (\$10/ticket)

**Events**

- Reverse Drawing #1 (\$100/ticket) - Sunday, August 16th, 4:00 PM, The Radisson, Includes Two dinners
- Henry M. Grennan Memorial Golf Tournament (\$125/person or \$500 for 4) - Friday, August 21st, 11:00 AM, Santa Maria Country Club
- Fashion Show (\$40/ticket) - Thursday, August 27th, 11:00 AM - 1:30 PM, Santa Maria Country Club
- BBQ Fundraiser (\$10/plate) - Saturday, August 29th, 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM, VTC Enterprises, Meal includes: 1 chicken, salad, beans, bread
- Kentucky Derby Dinner and Auction (\$50/person) - Saturday, September 5th, 1:00 - 5:00 PM, Santa Maria Country Club, includes (50) \$1 drawing tickets at the event
- Dinner Auction (\$50/ticket) - Sunday, September 13th, 5:00 PM, The Radisson
- Bingo Night (\$40/ticket) - Friday, September 18th, 5:30 PM, 1239 Hwy 1, Santa Maria
- Reverse Drawing #2 (\$100/ticket) - Sunday, September 20th, 4:00 PM, The Radisson



**Sabrina Dana**

(United Way of Northern Santa Barbara County)

My name is Sabrina Dana, I am honored to be the 2020 Elks Rodeo Queen Candidate of the United Way of Northern Santa Barbara County. Our campaign focus is literacy. We will be working to benefit the Imagination Library, which puts books in the hands of young

children; Reading Plus, which helps struggling readers catch up to grade level; reading and English as a Second Language (ESL) classes for adults, and much more!

I am a 15 year old sophomore at Orcutt Academy High School. I am heavily involved in my school's Drama Program and have participated in the PCPA Young People's Project. I am also a member of Interact Club and California Scholarship Federation (CSF), and I just participated in our school's Poetry Out Loud competition. I am in the process of being confirmed at St. Louis de Montfort Church. After high school, I plan on attending Allan Hancock College and then on to a four-year college or university to prepare for a career in the medical field.

Family is very important to me. On my mother's side, my grandfather, Ambrocio Galvez, came from the Philippines to America to work in the fields; He and my grandmother worked extremely hard to purchase a small farm in Los Osos. My grandfather did all this despite not being able to read or write -- which is why it resonates with me to promote literacy!

On my father's side, I am a seventh-generation Central Coast resident. I am looking forward to having two of our campaign events at the historic Dana Adobe in Nipomo, which was built by my great-great-grandfather, Captain William Goodwin Dana.

Thank you to my parents, Angie and Joe Dana, my brother, Jacob, my relatives, and my friends for supporting me, and a huge thank you to the United Way for blessing me with this wonderful opportunity.

Email us at [contact@liveunitedsb.org](mailto:contact@liveunitedsb.org), Call us at (805) 922-0329 ext. 103, or visit [www.liveunitedsb.org/rodeo](http://www.liveunitedsb.org/rodeo)

**Raffle Tickets**

- Dodger Tickets (\$20/ticket) - Four MVP Field Level Tickets to a 2020 Regular Season Home Game with One Parking Pass
- Golf Ball Drop (\$20/ticket) - Closest to Hole = \$2000
- Elks Raffle (\$1/ticket) -

**Events**

- History & Wine with Dana Family (\$20/ticket) - Sunday August 16th, 2:00 - 6:00 PM, Historic Dana Adobe
- Chicken BBQ (\$10/ticket) - Sunday, August 23rd, 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM, Oak Knoll Shopping Center, Orcutt
- Hawaiian Luau (Donation) - Sunday, August 29th, 6:00 - 10:00 PM, Deja Vu Antiques, Orcutt
- Western BBQ in Los Alamos (\$25/ticket) - Sunday, August 30th, 4:00 - 8:00 PM, Tawzer Ranch
- Dana Adobe BBQ & Concert (\$35/ticket) - Saturday, September 5th, 5:00 - 9:00 PM
- Classic Pismo Beach Car Show - Saturday, September 19th, Price St., Pismo Beach
- Reverse Drawing, Auction, Tour, & Gold Ball Drop (\$100/ticket, \$20/Golf Ball) - Saturday, September 19th, 3:00 - 10:00 PM, Santa Maria Museum of Flight
- Wine Tasting Fun (Donation) - Sunday, September 20th, 4:00 - 6:00 PM, Deja Vu Antiques, Orcutt

**Elks Traveleers continued**



have the ability to stay safe that RVs provide (i.e. your own bed, bathroom and kitchen). Yes, It's true!\* And with this option available to Traveleer Members, we're planning on going individually (not as a Club event) to River Run RV Park in Bakersfield on

September 24th to 27th. Although the RV park rules won't allow us to gather together, just getting on the road again and to be "glamping" will be a welcomed escape. It's also reassuring to know the RV rig next to you or near you is an Elks Traveleer Member.

If you're a Santa Maria Elk that has made the leap to owning or renting an RV and are interested in group camping, then we want to talk to you. Prospective Members are invited to join us as a guest at one of our campouts to check us out before joining - we're confident you'll end up becoming a Traveleer. Contact our Wagon Master, Steve McGehee (mtman1989@gmail.com / 805 345-6791) for information on how to get involved.

**UPCOMING OUTINGS:**

- September 24-27 River Run RV, Bakersfield
- October 29 - Nov 1 Santa Margarita KOA
- November 19-22 Morro Dunes RV, Morro Bay

(\*Disclaimer: No, I'm not a paid spokesman for the RV industry - just an enthusiastic Traveleer.)

Alan Munch  
Traveleers Newsletter Committee

**ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION**



**Monthly Gift Goes A Long Way**

We can all agree 2020 is not a normal year. In the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, businesses have been shuttered for months. People are out of work. Your financial situation may be much different this year than it was last year. We get it. If you can't support us right now, we understand. Please

know that we are thinking of you and we are doing what we can to provide some relief to communities struggling from the economic impact of the pandemic. If you are able to give, consider joining the Fidelity Club, the ENF's monthly giving program. In five minutes, you can establish an automatic, regularly scheduled donation that occurs monthly or quarterly. Monthly gifts can be as little as \$5; quarterly gifts can be as little as \$15. Joining the Fidelity Club helps ensure the Elks are there during times like these. Not only is joining the Fidelity Club a safe and reliable way to give, it's simple and flexible—donations can be adjusted at any time. Through the monthly giving program, you'll have opportunities to earn exclusive pins and membership card stickers, too. Members of the Fidelity Club earn their first pin after just 12 gifts. We are in this together; any support adds up to make a difference in our communities. To learn more and join, go to [enf.elks.org/FidelityClub](http://enf.elks.org/FidelityClub)

"FAITH, HOPE & LOVE. FAMILY, FRIENDS & FELLOWSHIP."



**ELKS BOWLING**

Here is the latest update about our Elk's Bowling League. Under California edict, Rancho Bowl has been closed for several months. It will reopen when they get permission from the state. When that will occur, no one knows now, but when it does happen, we will get the word out to all of our Elk bowlers and start up our next season. If you are an Elk and want to join our league, call our League president, Greg Dominguez at 805-714-7691.

**JOKES OF THE MONTH**

Actually staying home during Covid-19 isn't that bad but it seems strange to me one bag of rice has 8,754 grains and another has only 8,663.....

Chuck Norris has been exposed to the Coronavirus. The virus is now in quarantine for a month....

Husband: I want you to have this bracelet. It belonged to my grandmother.

Wife: Why does it say: "Do not resuscitate?"...I told my wife she was drawing her eyebrows too high. She looked surprised

Stay Safe,  
Michael Kenderes  
Lodge Bowling Chairman  
922-2241

**SADLY, THE PERA SHRIMP PEEL ON THE 20TH HAS BEEN CANCELED**

**TWO ELKS MEMBERSHIP PROGRAMS DEBUT**

**By RICK GATHEN PR and Membership Marketing Manager**

Because of COVID-19, our Lodges are faced with the most serious social and financial challenges in our 152 year history. Help is here with two new membership programs. We have been busy developing a shareable social media campaign to be used in conjunction with the Virtual Manuals site. Designed to target the Millennial and Generation X demographics to increase membership, this work will create a social media campaign that speaks to a younger audience. We have produced a variety of items for people to share. The goal is to appeal to younger generations who may not have considered membership. The campaign will target what motivates this demographic: They like to choose the charities they work for, and they enjoy working in groups. The Elks' mission facilitates these principles. The campaign will clearly delineate that the Order is non-partisan. The branded social media templates can be easily shared. We will also introduce a new optional billing renewal program for August. This will provide Lodges with a substantial time and money savings on its membership renewal efforts. It also modernizes your Lodge billing system by offering many payment options to your membership without adding fees. The cost is only \$.32 per renewal invoice. This includes postage, paper, envelopes, ink, credit card fees, and all labor of stuffing envelopes, printing, stamping the envelopes and bringing them

to the post office. Lodges typically spend from \$.77 to \$1.00 per renewal for postage, paper, envelopes, ink and credit card fees. The average Lodge will save anywhere from 42% up to 68%. The expected savings on time and labor for Lodge Secretary's are more than 100 hours per year. Now they simply click a button! Lodge Secretaries can spend time on other important tasks while saving their Lodges money. Please go to [elks.org](http://elks.org) after July 15 to find out more about these exciting new programs to help your Lodge navigate through these challenging times.



## COMMUNITIES NEED ELKS' HELP MORE THAN EVER

As I begin my year as Grand Exalted Ruler, I want to begin by saying thanks to all of you and offer my sincere gratitude and appreciation that you have entrusted me as your next national president. This would not have been possible

without all of you, my fellow brothers and sisters, and your support and guidance. I also need to thank my family and friends, and of course the assistance and aid of my wonderful wife. When I started this adventure, finding a theme was something that I wanted to make sure stood out. I wanted to change a little of the landscape of the organization to make sure that we not only survive the future but thrive in it. With the changes happening in this world, my theme has become more and more vital to the situation. My Theme for 2020-2021 is Creating Momentum for the Future of Elkdom. Now more than ever we need to go out there and help our communities and get them to thrive again, get them to see the light at the end of the tunnel. Help to realize that this is a great country. And teach them who we are as Elks and that our organization is one that will Create Momentum for the Future of Elkdom and the people of this country. The Elks are a community, and it is my hope for the coming year that by working together with the Elks National Foundation and through our Members and Lodges nationwide we can build both stronger communities and stronger Elks. It is my goal that we can reach \$4.80 per Member in our ENF donations this Elks year. It's not a lofty goal when you consider that we have reached this amount for many of the past years. I understand that with the way the world is right now, it is hard to increase the goal. Lodges are closed and will have a hard time coming up with the extra funds to be able to sustain our current activity. Reach down and grab one more dollar. Believe me, the Elks National Foundation charitable giving will be needed more than ever and the funds will go a lot further now in the world that we are living in. It is my challenge to each and every Member to practice the Elks values of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love, and Fidelity in your work, your daily lives, and everything you do. Stacey and I are looking forward to visiting you in each of your respective states and Lodges during our travels during the next year.

Fraternally,  
Paul R. Ryan  
Grand Exalted Ruler



## VIRTUAL GUIDES HELP GROW MEMBERSHIP REMOTELY

Stuck at home? You can still recruit new Members and spread the word of Elkdom. [Elks.org](http://Elks.org) has two comprehensive virtual resources, the Membership Guide and the Marketing Guide. They are full of templates, videos, scripts, manuals, tip sheets, and other tools that help Members grow the Order. The Membership Guide contains an annotated road map that details the five stages of membership: invitation to join, orientation and initiation, volunteering, leadership, and revitalization and retention. The “Invitation” section contains files including an online “invitation to join” form, a script for contacting Virtual Lodge Members, and Rick Gathen’s 50 Recruitment Ideas. Many ideas can be found under the “Initiation & Orientation” section. The “Revitalization & Retention” section contains phone scripts and letter templates that can be used to contact delinquent Members, persuading them to re-join and get engaged. In addition to traditional “Brick Marketing” strategies, the Marketing Guide has a section for “Click Marketing” that is done online. It contains several videos about the history and message of the Elks and the Elks National Foundation. The section also has resources for producing e-greetings and making promotional videos, along with links to Elks websites and social media pages. The guides can be found at the top of the “Manuals” page in the Grand Lodge section of [Elks.org](http://Elks.org). Or, access them directly at:  
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By MIKE CHAMERNIK  
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